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RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116
EXPEDITED PROCEDURE REQUESTED
EXAMINING GROUP 3773
PATENT
Attorney Docket No. 06530.0382-01

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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| Charles H. PUGSLEY et al. |) | Group Art Unit: 3773 |
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| Application No.: 10/712,966 |) | Examiner: Julian W. Woo |
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Sir:

AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL

In reply to the final Office Action mailed March 6, 2008, and pursuant to
37 C.F.R. § 1.116, Applicants propose that this application be amended as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims in this paper.

Remarks/Arguments follow the amendment sections of this paper.